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POLICING & POLICY

ICE Announces New Program For Local Law Enforcement.

The Washington Times (5/6, Dinan) reports on Monday, Immigration and Customs Enforcement "announced a new program...to give police a way to cooperate in turning over illegal immigrants even if they're limited by slim budgets or local sanctuary policies." Under the new Warrant Service Office program, "local law enforcement won't be involved in asking about legal status or citizenship, but will have permission to detain someone for up to 48 hours." Pinellas County, Florida Sheriff Bob Gualtieri was "the first to sign on." Gualtieri also "said he's going to have 40 of his deputies trained so at least one can be on duty at all times."

The Hill (5/6, Thomsen) reports the program "would allow local law enforcement officers to start arresting and temporarily detaining immigrants on behalf of the agency." According to an ICE release, the Hill adds that local law enforcement "will be temporarily exempted from any local or state rules preventing them from cooperating in immigration arrests or detention." Acting ICE Director Matthew Albence, in announcing the program, said, "Policies that limit cooperation with ICE undermine public safety, prevent the agency from executing its federally mandated mission and increase the risks for officers forced to make at-large arrests in unsecure locations."

Michigan City Asks Appeals Court To Reconsider Ruling On Tire-Chalking.

The Washington Post (5/6, Barbash) reports that the city of Saginaw, Michigan "asked a federal appeals court on Monday to rethink its April 22 ruling that declared unconstitutional the old parking enforcement technique of marking tires with chalk, saying the case was of 'exceptional importance' and had prompted cities across the heartland to abandon the practice." According to the Post, "The unusual decision by a unanimous three-judge panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 6th Circuit said chalking tires for purposes of parking enforcement – without a warrant – violated the Fourth Amendment's bar against unreasonable searches. It reversed a U.S. district court, which had rejected the argument and sent the case back for reconsideration." The Post adds, "The low-tech method of determining whether someone is parked beyond the posted time limit has been a staple of parking enforcement for decades as well as a stable source of revenue." The decision "took municipal officials by surprise. In the immediate aftermath, cities as large as Columbus, Ohio, and as small as Athens, Tenn., put away the familiar chalk-on-a-stick for fear of lawsuits."

Two California Cities Mull Ban On Police Use Of Facial Recognition Software.

The Sacramento (CA) Bee (5/6, Sweeney) reports, "Citing privacy fears, San Francisco and Oakland are on the verge of becoming the first cities in the United States to ban facial recognition technology from government use, the East Bay Times reports." According to the Bee, "The bans would block city agencies, including police, from obtaining facial recognition gear or using any information gleaned by such systems, according to the publication." The Bee adds, "Neither city currently uses facial recognition technology, and Oakland already requires City Council approval to purchase such equipment, Wired reported. 'This is our opportunity to prevent the genie from getting out of the bottle,' said Brian Hofer, chairman of the Oakland Privacy Advisory Commission," which "backs the ban."

Denver, Colorado Police Dedicate Unit To Bias-Motivated Crimes.

KCNC-TV Denver (5/6) reports that the Denver, Colorado Police Department "has a new plan to address bias-motivated crimes," and "one strategy is creating a specialized unit that will investigate those crimes. 'When a Bias Motivated incident occurs, it doesn't just impact the family or the victim themselves,' said Paul Pazen, Chief of the Denver Police Department. 'It often times have a negative impact on the neighborhood and our city where this occurs.'" Pazen "says it is a different approach to preventing and investigating bias-motivated crimes," and "city leaders said at a news conference Monday these cases are on the rise locally." Last year, "62 cases that were categorized as bias-motivated crimes were reported to the Denver police."

Kentucky State Police Laud Effectiveness Of "Angel Initiative."

The Murray (KY) Ledger & Times (5/6, Wright) reports, "A little more than a year ago, Kentucky State Police Post 1 in western Kentucky helped lead the way with starting the agency's statewide Angel Initiative program," which "gives people addicted to illegal drugs the chance to not only turn in those substances to any KSP post in the commonwealth, but they can ask for help with that addiction and be taken to a substance abuse rehabilitation center without being charged or arrested." According to the L&T, "While it has been somewhat slow to develop, it appears the word is starting to circulate in Post 1's coverage area." Post 1 Public Affairs Officer Master Trooper Jay Thomas of Murray "said that one quarter into 2019, Post 1 has had seven people seek help through this program. Fifteen have gone on to rehab centers since the program started in February 2018. 'I think it's going well. We've had several people coming to our post who have asked for help and we've been able to place them (in a center), and that's what you want from this,' Thomas said. 'It kind of goes along with what I tell a lot of people when talking about the program. To put it into perspective, you're taking your worst fear and facing it.'"

Behavioral Intervention Teams Help Identify College Students At Risk Of Violence.

Reuters (5/6, Dobuzinskis, Greenberg) reports last week's shooting at UNC Charlotte illustrates the challenges that behavioral intervention teams (BIT), "tasked with reviewing reports about troubled students and intervening to prevent harm to themselves or others," face in an "environment where anyone can walk onto a campus and blend into a population of thousands of students." US law enforcement has cited the growing use of BIT teams, "which bring together officials from different branches of a campus to compare notes on troubled students with the aim of spotting signs of potential violence, as a key strategy to prevent mass shootings." Officials involved with BIT teams "say their work prevents violence, although they acknowledge their effectiveness is hard to measure."

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Police Worried About Motorists Not Seeing Issue With Driving High.

The Chicago Tribune (5/6, Wisniewski) reports that a number of drivers believing that driving high isn't "a big deal" concerns "safety experts and police, especially as more states legalize recreational marijuana use." Illinois already permits "medical pot consumption" and may "legalize recreational use for adults this year." It's certain that the issue with "drugged driving" will "come up as the law is debated in Springfield." According to the Tribune, "Law enforcement officials say drivers need to understand how marijuana affects their ability to make decisions on the road," and that "officers need more training in how to recognize signs that a driver is impaired by pot or other drugs. Roadside testing for marijuana is not as straightforward as testing for alcohol. 'We do have a significant concern about drug-impaired driving,' said Matt Myers, chair of the drug recognition expert section of the International Association of Chiefs of Police."

Washington Police Probing Improvised Bombs, Arson.

The Spokane (WA) Spokesman-Review (5/6, Sokol) reports, "Pullman police began searching for an arsonist after a fire destroyed a laser tag arena on Sunday, the same day a device resembling a pipe bomb was discovered in a city park." According to the Spokesman-Review, "Days earlier, another improvised explosive was found in a mobile home just across the state line in Moscow." The Spokesman-Review adds, "No arrests have been made in connection with any of the three incidents, and it's unclear if they are related. 'We're asking the same questions,' Pullman police Cmdr. Chris Tennant said Monday. 'We don't have any answers yet.'" Police "and fire personnel responded along with local FBI agents, and the Spokane Explosive Disposal Unit arrived a few hours later."

MIddletown, Ohio Police Target Drug Ring.

The Journal-News (OH) (5/6, McCrabb) reports from Middletown, Ohio, "Middletown police collaborated with multiple agencies to serve warrants and make an arrest this morning in a bust of what the chief calls a "drug ring" that supplies as much as half of the drugs in the city." Middletown, "in conjunction with the Assistant United States Attorney Karl Kadon, the FBI, ATF, Butler County Drug Task Force, and the Warren County Drug Task Force have been conducting an investigation into a drug trafficking ring in the Middletown area, police said." Middletown Police Chief Rodney Muterspaw "said the 'drug ring' is believed to have a direct or indirect connection to the homicides of Teresa Shields, Benny Barefield, Kapriece Fuller and others." Benwan Edwards of Middletown "was taken into custody this morning by federal agents," and "more arrests are forthcoming, Muterspaw said."

UK Police "Overwhelmed" By Child Sex Abuse Image Cases.

The Independent (UK) (5/6, Dearden) reports, "Police leaders have called for a new approach to the rising number of people who view child sex abuse images online, as thousands of paedophiles seek help to stop their behaviour." According to the Independent, "At least 400 people are arrested over indecent images of children every month in England and Wales and record numbers of photos and videos are being reported." Law enforcement agencies "are struggling to cope with cases, prompting the government to support programmes aiming to rehabilitate convicted paedophiles or prevent them offending." Chief Constable Simon Bailey, "the National Police Chiefs' Council lead for child protection, said officers want to focus on suspects in direct contact with children but are being 'overwhelmed' by lower-level image offences."

Scottish Armed Police Were Sent To 5,000 Routine Incidents In Past Year.

BBC News Online (UK) (5/7) reports, "Firearms police were sent to everyday incidents which did not require an armed response more than 5,000 times in the past year, BBC Scotland can reveal." BBC News adds, "Police Scotland's firearms officers were banned from attending such routine calls until last May," and "since then they have dealt with more than 5,250 routine incidents like car crashes and missing people." According to BBC News, "Critics say the figures are alarming but the force insists its officers are saving lives. 'Our armed response officers are extremely highly trained,' said Chief Superintendent Matt Richards, the commander in charge of Police Scotland's Specialist Services Division. 'Overall they're providing a higher level of service – and more quickly – to the public.'"

OFFICER SAFETY & WELLNESS

FBI: More Police Officers Died In Line Of Duty In 2018.

CBS News (5/6, Donaghue) reports, "Fifty-five law enforcement officers were slain during criminal incidents while on duty in the U.S. last year, 9 more officers than were slain on the job in 2017, according to new national data released by the FBI." According to CBS News, "The statistics on law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty were released Monday as part of the FBI's uniform crime reporting program." CBS News adds, "In most of the cases, the officers killed in criminal incidents were conducting investigative or enforcement activities, involved in pursuits, making arrests or responding to crimes in progress." Eleven "were killed in ambush incidents, according to the FBI," and "the majority of the officers – 51-- were slain with firearms, four with their own weapons."

The New York Daily News (5/6, Oliveira) reports, "Out of the 55 intentional killings last year, 23 took place during investigative or enforcement activities, 11 were ambushes and six happened during police pursuits, according to the report, which also covers Puerto Rico, where one intentional killing was recorded. Firearms were used in 51 of those incidents, the FBI said."

GLOBAL SECURITY

New York Counterterrorism Officials Tell Lawmakers How Funding Cuts Hurt Their Agencies.

The Staten Island (NY) Advance (5/6, Kashiwagi) reports from Borough Hall, New York, "With continued cuts to counterterrorism programs, Rep. Max Rose, local lawmakers and the city's top security experts gathered at Borough Hall on Monday to talk about how federal funding cuts hurt the city's counterterrorism programs and what more the city needs to

prepare for potential threats." Rose, "who chairs the Homeland Security Subcommittee on Intelligence and Counterterrorism, asked the NYPD's Deputy Commissioner for Intelligence and Counterterrorism John Miller, the FDNY's Chief of Counterterrorism Thomas Currao and Superintendent of Police at the Port Authority Ed Cetnar how at least $25 million in counterterrorism cuts over the last 10 years have affected their agencies." Miller "said federal cuts force the city to have to pay for more programs and tools needed to carry out counterterrorism efforts out of pocket, which is tricky when the city is facing budgetary constraints itself."

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